



## ***Gila County Education Service Agency***

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# **PRESS RELEASE**

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### ***Gila Community College District 1 Governing Board Vacancy***

GLOBE – Gila County School Superintendent Linda O'Dell has announced the time line and process for appointment of a member to the Gila Community College (GCC) Governing Board to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of District 1 representative Thomas Loeffler last year. This is the second time O'Dell is advertising for this position, as just two applications were received in the first go around. One of the applicants withdrew their application, and the other person was not a registered voter.

Registered voters residing in the following Gila County precincts are eligible to apply: Payson 1, Payson 3, Payson 7, Payson 8 and Pine-Strawberry West. Potential board members are required to complete a short application and participate in an interview as part of the appointment process. O'Dell observed that the signed application document affirms a candidate's eligibility and provides basic background information as well as insights about professional and life experiences that would support their appointment to the position.

Application packets are available at the Gila Community College Payson Campus during regular business hours, Monday through Thursday, 8:00 AM -6:00 PM and Friday 8:00 AM -5:00 PM or online at [www.gilacountyschools.org](http://www.gilacountyschools.org). The deadline for submission of application documents is 5:00 PM, Friday, January 31, 2014. Interviews will be conducted with potential board members. O'Dell hopes to announce a selection by February 14.

The term of the person appointed to fill the GCC District 1 Governing Board vacancy will expire in December, 2014. In accordance with state law, an election for the remaining two years of the six-year term, which expires in 2016, will be held as part of the 2014 General Election. The person appointed and other interested parties from the Gila Community College District 1 can run for election to the position at that time. Contact Victoria Sanchez at (928) 402-8783 for additional information about the governing board application and appointment process.

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